



Dear Parent/Guardian:

Your student will soon begin working in One Minute Reader Live—a structured, independent reading program. One Minute Reader Live is a highly effective, web-based reading program that develops fluency and supports vocabulary and comprehension.

Improving reading fluency is important for developing readers!

We know that fluent readers:

- Read smoothly and easily—as if they were speaking.
- Read with few errors, and seldom need to pause to figure out words.
- Read at a rate that supports good expression and comprehension.
- Tend to comprehend better than non-fluent readers.

One Minute Reader Live implements research-based strategies for improving reading fluency.

What do we know from research?

Students become good readers by reading.

Reading along with a proficient reader improves word recognition and fluency.

Reading a passage several times improves fluency.

Fluent readers generally comprehend better than non-fluent readers.

Monitoring student progress improves student achievement and motivates students to keep reading.

What do students do when working through a story in One Minute Reader Live?

The student self-selects a book of nonfiction stories with a specific theme and then selects a story within that book to read—based on personal interest.

The student reads the story quietly aloud along with an audio recording that models good expression and phrasing.

The student reads the story alone several times—to improve accuracy, rate, and expression with each timed reading.

The student demonstrates understanding by correctly answering comprehension questions.

The student views progress on graphs that report results before and after practicing each story. The student is awarded points for completing various activities. The student moves to a higher level of difficulty as stories and levels are completed.

Thank you for your support. Please call if you have any questions or concerns.

Note: Read Live is a web-based platform that provides complete access to Read Naturally® Live, Word Warm-ups® Live, One Minute Reader® Live, and Read Naturally® Live—Español. These evidence-based programs are designed for developing readers of all ages.